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THE INVITATION HAD BEEN A TAD **MYSTERIOUS**...

"COME TO ASTEROID 1512 AT 4PM OR YOU'LL **REGRET** IT! REALLY--WE **MEAN** IT! OH YEAH--COME **ALONE**!"

NOT BEING OVERLY **MACHO**, FRED HAD LOOKED FOR BIANCA, HOPING SHE'D BE HIS **BACKUP**. SHE WAS NOWHERE TO BE FOUND...

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BUT FRED WENT ANYWAY.

ALONE.

OF COURSE, HE HAD THE INCREDIBLE FORM-CHANGING **FREDMOBILE** IN HIS BACK POCKET. JUST TO BE SAFE, HE HAD CHANGED IT INTO A **PLASMA GUN**. MERELY AS A **PRECAUTION**!

AFTER ALL, **WHO** WOULD WANT FRED DEAD? OTHER THAN **POX THE MUTANT**, THAT IS. AND OF COURSE THERE'S ALWAYS **QUINZAL PINBACK**, LATE OF INTERPOL. AND THE **CONTINUITY INQUISITION**! OH YES, AND--

THAT'S QUITE **ENOUGH**, IF YOU DON'T MIND!

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SURPRISE!
GUYS, I'M STUNNED! REALLY, YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE!
WE DIN'T.* 'HICE B-B-BIANCA WANTED YOU OUTTA THE WAY FER HER BASHLERETTE--
HUSH, RED!
SO SHE THINKS I'D JUST HAVE GOTTEN IN THE WAY, HUH? WELL, I'M--
DON'T BE HARD ON HER, CAP'N! SHE BRUNG ME TO YER PARTY!
HOSS!
YUP!
TSK, TSK, HOSS-- SOUNDS LIKE YOU'VE STOPPED PRACTICING YOUR GRAMMAR*!
*SEE X-THIEVES #9.
WHO CARES 'BOUT 'HICE G'AMMAR? WE'RE HERE TO PAAARTY!
WELL, THEN...
LET'S PARTY!

ACROSS THE GALAXY--
--AT A PARTY FAR, FAR AWAY...
COME ON, BIANCA-- SHOW US THE RING FRED BOUGHT FOR YOU!
BOUGHT? BOUGHT?! IF FRED HAD BOUGHT MY RING I WOULD NEVER HAVE AGREED TO MARRY HIM!
WELL, WHY NOT? FRED'S A GREAT CATCH-- HE'S DASHING, ARISTOCRATIC, ROMANTIC--
PRECISELY! ANYONE CAN BUY A RING-- BUT FRED TOOK THE TIME, TROUBLE AND RISK TO STEAL THIS ONE FOR ME! AND THAT'S ROMANTIC!
YOU'RE DRINKING TOO MUCH, YOUNG LADY! THESE NOVA FIZZES AREN'T WATER, YOU KNOW!
LOOK, ROBOT -- IF I'D WANTED A MECHANICAL MOM I'D HAVE KEPT THE ONE WE HAD IN ISSUE 3*! SO SHUT UP AND BRING MORE DRINKS!
* SEE X-THIEVES #... UM, NEVER MIND...

BACK AT FRED'S PARTY...
TRUST ME, PETER--THIS DRINK WILL PUT A SHINE ON YOUR SHELL!
GLUGE GLUGE GLUGE
GENTLEMEN--I HAVE TONIGHT'S MALE-ORIENTED HOLOGRAPHIC ENTERTAINMENT!
A STAG FILM?! AW, YOU GUYS THOUGHT OF EVERYTHING!
KILL THE LIGHTS AND START THE HOLO!
REALLY, RED, I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU MEN SEE IN--
OH MY GOD! IT'S HUGE!
THA'S RIGHT, IRIS--LOOSEN UP AND ENJOY!
AH, IT'S THAT CLASSIC--"COME HITHER, COME THITHER, COME YON!" A FINE CHOICE!
GASP! THEY'S THEY'S--OH, WOW!
SUCH STIMULATING DIALOGUE IN THIS FILM!
OH YEAH! OH YEAH! OH YEAH! OH YEAH! OH YEAH! OH YEAH! OH YEAH! OH YEAH! OH YEAH!

NOTE TO EROTIC CULTURE LOVERS-- THIS IS A FAMILY BOOK (SORT OF) SO WE'RE SWITCHING TO BIANCA'S PARTY NOW...
READY FOR THE ENTERTAINMENT, BIANCA?
WHAT HAVE WE GOT-- A DOE FILM?
NOPE-- WE'VE GOT SOMETHING EVEN BETTER, WE'VE GOT--
DANCING DANNY, THE PRETTY BOY WONDER!
OH, GAK!
AHEM! PERHAPS WE'LL JUST SKIP THE NEXT TWO HOURS...
IT WAS NO "DEEP EVERYTHING" BUT IT DID HAVE ITS HIGH POINTS!
YEAH-- I LIKED THE PLOT!

BUT WAIT, FRED-- THE CLICHE BACHELOR PARTY ENTERTAINMENT DOESN'T STOP WITH THE *SEXUALLY EXPLICIT HOLO!* IT CONTINUES RIGHT HERE WITH --

HOT =HICE BABES!

--PRETTY PASTRY-POPPING **PIX** *!

HEE, HEE! HI, FRED-- WANT TO LICK MY *ICING?*

*REMEMBER PIX FROM X-TMS?

TSK, TSK, PIX-- TRYING TO *STEAL* THE SHOW AT *MY* BACHELOR PARTY?

WELL, I AM A *THIEF*, FREDDY!

BIANCA HAS ALL THE *LUCK!* SHE'S GETTING A GOOD *MAN!*

S'BWAT.

NO, I REALLY *MEAN* THAT!

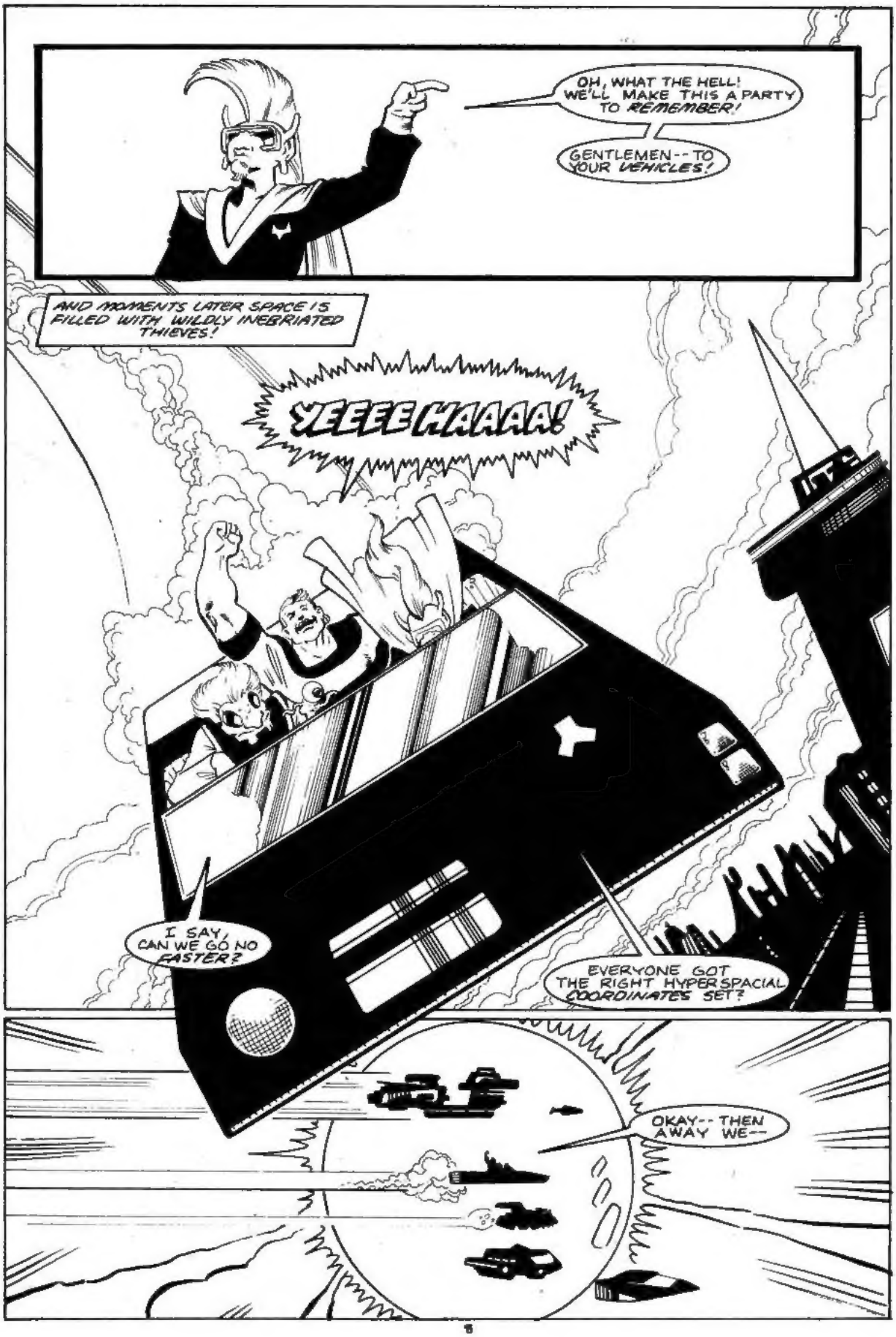
NO, I'M A S'*BWAT.*

DON'T BE SO *HARD* ON YOURSELF, FRED!

UH, RIGHT...

THERE'S A CERTAIN *TRADITON* INVOLVING BACHELOR PARTY PASTRY-POPPERS DO YOU KNOW WHAT IT IS, FRED?

YEAH -- YOU GET A DOUBLE SERVING OF CAKE!
OOOOOO! THAT'S NOT IT AND YOU KNOW IT!
IT'S ALL YOU'RE GETTING FROM ME, THOUGH!
I HEAR YOU AN' 'HICE FRED PULLED A BIG JOB TOGETHER.
YEP, RED -- WE LOOTED A WHOLE SPANISH GALLEON!
LOOTED -- IS THAT ALL? I ONCE STOLE AN ENTIRE GALLEON --
-- I GOT THE SHIP, THE CARGO, CREW, AND EVEN THE WATER IT WAS FLOATING IN!
IS THAT THE BEST YOU EVER DID? I ONCE STOLE AN ENTIRE FLEET OF SHIPS AND THE BAY THEY WERE ANCHORED IN!
WELL, I STOLE A WHOLE NAVY AND THE OCEAN THEY WERE SAILING IN!
YEAH? I ONCE STOLE A SPACE NAVY AND THE ASTEROID BELT THEY WERE IN!
SO WHAT? I ONCE STOLE --
RIGHT -- NEXT THING YOU KNOW, YOU BRAGGARTS WILL WANT TO PULL A JOB JUST TO PROVE YOUR PROWESS!
HEY! 'HICE YEAH!
CAPITAL IDEA!
LET'S DO IT!
YEAH!
HEY, I WASN'T BEING SERIOUS, GUYS! IT WAS JUST A JOKE!


OH, WHAT THE HELL! WE'LL MAKE THIS A PARTY TO REMEMBER!
GENTLEMEN -- TO YOUR VEHICLES!
AND MOMENTS LATER SPACE IS FILLED WITH WILDLY INEBRIATED THIEVES!
YEEEEHAAAA!
I SAY, CAN WE GO NO FASTER?
EVERYONE GOT THE RIGHT HYPERSPACIAL COORDINATES SET?
OKAY -- THEN AWAY WE --

GOOOOOOO!

JUST LOOKIE-- NO FEELIE!

HEE HEE HEE

FLASH

DING DONG

THANKS GIRLS-- ANOTHER GREAT SHOT FOR THE WEDDING ALBUM!

AT THE DOOR...

WHERE'S BIANCA?

PIX--COULDN'T YOU HAVE CLEANED UP BEFORE COMING? YOU'RE COVERED IN ICING!

BIANCA-- WE'VE GOT TO STOP THEM!

STOP WHO?

THE MEN! THEY'RE ALL DRUNK AND ON THEIR WAY TO PULL A JOB!

SO WHY SHOULD WE STOP THEM?

UM, BECAUSE?

NAH!

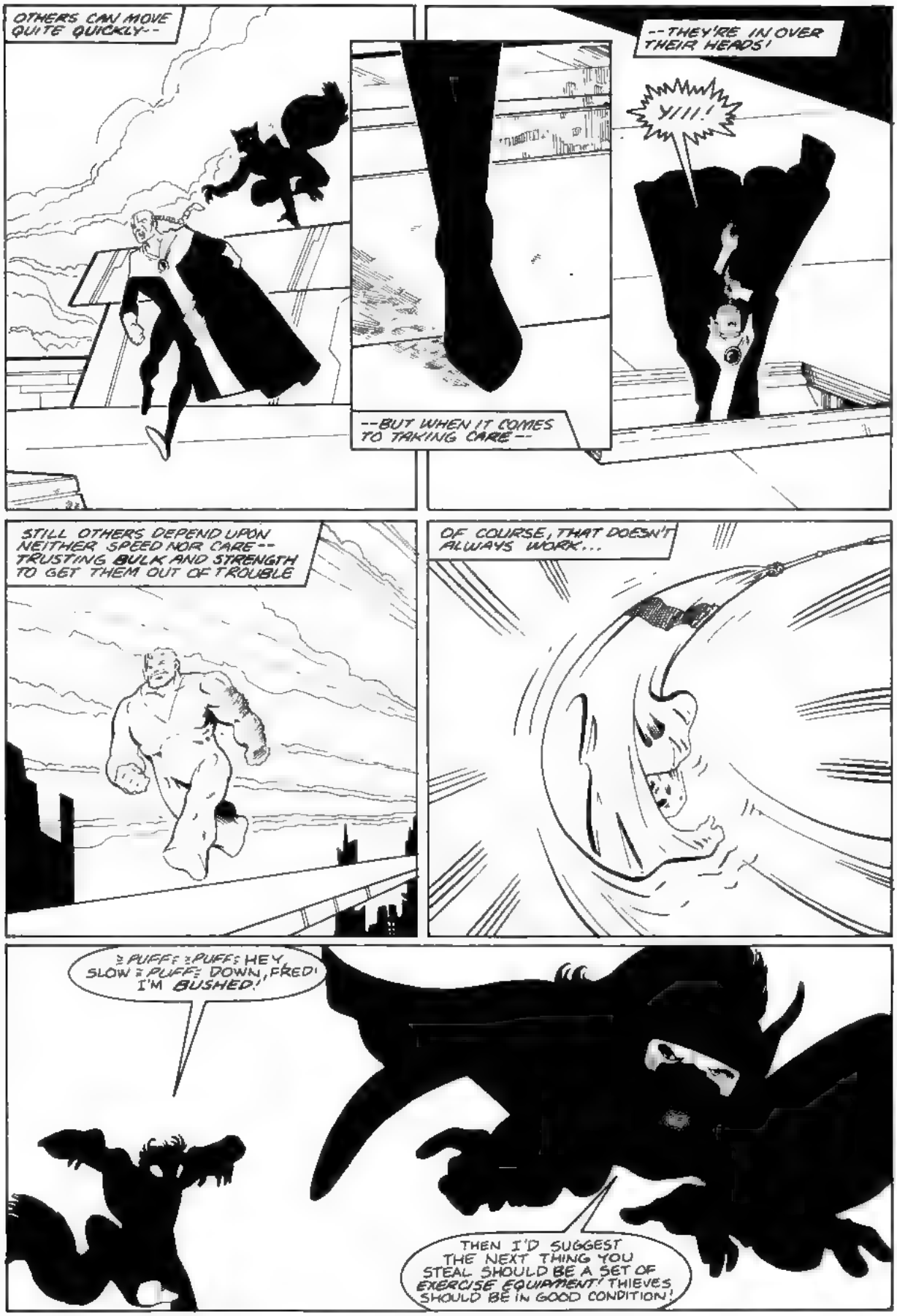
BIANCA--CAN I TAKE GRANNY HOME AFTER THE PARTY?

HE'S YOURS!

WELL, LADIES, I'LL JUST BE GOING NOW!

SIGNIFICANTLY ELSEWHERE...
BOOM
DID EVERYONE MAKE IT?
NO, A COUPLE OF NICE REALLY DRUNK NICE GUYS CRACKED A NICE UP!
WELL, THEY'LL MISS ALL THE FUN! HERE'S THE DEAL-- WE'RE ABOUT TO ENTER ONE HUGE SECURITY COMPLEX. STEAL ANYTHING THAT LOOKS VALUABLE, GOT IT?
UH, YEAH!
WE'RE HERE!
WHERE HERE?
NO, HOSS-- WE'RE, AS IN WE ARE, HERE!
NO, FRED-- WHERE, AS IN I'M TOTALLY LOST, HERE?
KA BOOM

THEN LET'S ROLL AND ROCK!
DON'T YOU MEAN ROCK AND ROLL?
NOPE--I ONLY ROCK AND ROLL WITH BIANCA!
TSK, TSK, READERS-- THERE WAS NO INNUENDO-- SEXUAL OR OTHERWISE--IN FRED'S LINE!
STEP LIVELY, LADS! BUT LOOK OUT FOR TRAPS!
DON'T DAWDLE! BUT DON'T TAKE UNNECESSARY RISKS, EITHER!
MAKE UP YOUR MIND, FRED--DO YOU WANT US TO HURRY OR BE CAREFUL?
CAN'T YOU DO BOTH?
FOR SOME, IT SEEMS THEY CAN DO NEITHER!
HEY--WAIT FOR--
MEEEEEEEEE!


OTHERS CAN MOVE QUITE QUICKLY--
--BUT WHEN IT COMES TO TAKING CARE--
--THEY'RE IN OVER THEIR HEADS!
Y!!!!
STILL OTHERS DEPEND UPON NEITHER SPEED NOR CARE-- TRUSTING BULK AND STRENGTH TO GET THEM OUT OF TROUBLE
OF COURSE, THAT DOESN'T ALWAYS WORK...
≥PUFF≤ ≥PUFF≤ HEY, SLOW ≥PUFF≤ DOWN, FRED! I'M BUSHED!
THEN I'D SUGGEST THE NEXT THING YOU STEAL SHOULD BE A SET OF EXERCISE EQUIPMENT! THIEVES SHOULD BE IN GOOD CONDITION!

AHUH! GOOD THING I BROUGHT MY TURBO THRUSTER ALONG!
JUS' WISH I HADN'T DRUNK SO MUCH AT THE PARTY! I DON'T FEEL SO--
I THINK I WANT TO DIE!
YOU FEEL LUCKY, PUNK? GO AHEAD, TRY SOMETHING! MAKE MY DAY, PUNK!
MAKE MINE, JERK-- SHOOT ME!
RED-- YOU TRIPPED A LASER GRID!
SO? I CAN *HIC* FLY THROUGH IT!
WELL, I CAN'T!
OOPS! *HIC*
BAM

SECONDS LATER...
L-LOVELY DAY FOR A STROLL, EH WHAT?
SHADDUP!
HUNK--WHAT HAPPENED TO EVERYONE?
THEY GOT NABBED!
AND NOW THE NEWS!
WHO TURNED THAT ON?
Thieves
News
Network
I DID--THOUGHT THEY MIGHT HAVE SOMETHING ON THE BOYS' BIG HEIST!
THE DISGUSTING BEING KNOWN AS POX THE MUTANT IS STILL AT LARGE, CONTINUING HIS DASTARDLY DEEDS--DELIVERING DEATH AND DESTRUCTION TO ALL AROUND HIM INDISCRIMINATELY!
ON THE LIGHTER SIDE, DOZENS OF DRUNKEN THIEVES ATTEMPTED TO CRACK THE SECURITY COMPLEX ON TAU CET!--AND FAILED MISERABLY! WE SHOULD HAVE MORE DETAILS ON OUR NEXT BROADCAST!

AN HOUR LATER, OUTSIDE THE TAU CETI SECURITY COMPLEX...
WELL, LADIES-- THE BOYS NEED OUR HELP! LET'S GET THEM OUT FAST-- AND NO TEASING THE BOYS ABOUT THEIR INEPTITUDE!
THERE, THERE, DEAR-- GET IT ALL OUT OF YOUR SYSTEM!
UNTIL WE'RE SAFELY AWAY, THAT IS!
BLUG!
I SMELL SOMETHING TOWARDS THE EAST!
YUCK! IT SMELLS LIKE A TURTLE PUKED OR SOMETHING!
TURTLE PU-- OOOOO.' I'M GONNA LOSE IT!
NANNYBOT-- STAY HERE WITH HER WHILE WE MAKE THE RESCUE!
BLARK
SURP

SUDDENLY...

INTRUDER ALERT! INTRUDER ALERT!

OH NICE WOW-- COLORS!

SECURITY DRONES!

STOP! HALT! CEASE YOUR FLIGHT!

RUN AWAY!

RESISTANCE IS FUTILE!

TAKE ME! NICE I'M YOURS!

NYAH, NYAH! CAN'T CATCH ME!

YIPES!

KONK

NEARBY...
WHY DO WE HAVE TO CARRY SUCH BIG GUNS?
CUZ I'M A BIG THIEF?
I'M NOT TALKING TO YOU, THIEF!
WHAT A MESS-- NOBODY LEFT BUT ME! NOW HOW AM I GOING TO GO ABOUT RESCUING THEM?...
ALSO NEARBY...
OH, NO-- MY CHIROPRACTOR SAID HANGING LIKE THIS IS BAD FOR MY BACK!
THIS IS JUST GREAT!
EVERYONE'S CAPTURED BUT ME! IF I HAD ACCESS TO THE FREDMOBILE I THINK I COULD RESCUE EVERYONE! BUT FRED'S GOT IT AND HE'S--

--RIGHT HERE!
PSST! FRED!
BIANCA! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
WE GIRLS CAME TO RESCUE YOU BOYS--BUT NOW THE GIRLS NEED RESCUING TOO! I'VE GOT AN IDEA FOR DOING IT--
--BUT I DON'T KNOW WHERE EVERYONE'S BEING HELD?
BEEP BEEP BEEP
MY DEAR-- YOUR WISH IS MY COMMAND!
I'VE TURNED THE FRED--ER, CAR-- OH, HELL--THE FREDMOBILE INTO A MULTIBAND RADIO!
SECURITY CENTRAL, WE'RE BRINGING ALL THE THIEVES IN--HAVE YOU GOT ROOM FOR THEM?
THAT'S A BIG TEN FOUR.
NOW, WHAT'S YOUR PLAN, BIANCA?
YOU'RE GOING TO LOVE IT!
LATER, AT SECURITY CENTRAL...
WELL, IF YER SURE...

MY GOOD MAN--WHY WOULD I LIE CONCERNING MY RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUR PRISONERS? OF COURSE I'M THEIR LAWYER!
FOR ALL OF THEM?
YES--ALL OF THEM! NOW MAY I SEE MY CLIENTS?
THROUGH THAT DOOR, SIR.
THANK YOU, GUARD--WE'LL CALL WHEN WE'RE DONE.
OKAY--EVERYONE KEEP QUIET AND DO EXACTLY AS I SAY!
FRED?
BIANCA?

YOU'RE ALL FAMILIAR WITH THE AMAZING, SHAPE-CHANGING FREDMOBILE, AREN'T YOU?
WELL, THAT FOUNTAIN PEN WAS THE FREDMOBILE!
NOW, EVERYONE GET IN AND I'LL TURN IT BACK INTO A PEN!
SECONDS LATER...
HEY, GUARD-- WHO ARE YOU TRYING TO FOOL? NO ONE IS IN THIS ROOM!
MOMENTS LATER IN SPACE...
YOUR PLAN WORKED LIKE A CHARM, BIANCA!
EVEN LATER, AT A COMBINED PARTY...
I'D LIKE TO PROPOSE A TOAST-- TO THE BEST THIEVES IN THE GALAXY! AND TO ALL OUR FRIENDS, TOO!

RALF
UH, OH -- I SHOULDN'T HAVE DRUNK ANY MORE!
DAMN, THESE ARE MY GOOD SHOES...
BIANCA, DO YOU THINK WE'LL HAVE A CHANCE TO GET THEM CLEANED BEFORE THE WEDDING TOMORROW?
FRED -- WE CAN TRAVEL IN TIME, REMEMBER? WE HAVE ALL THE TIME WE NEED!
OH YEAH
NEXT: THE BIG WEDDING BASH!

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A PUBLIC SERVICE MESSAGE FROM FRED & BIANCA

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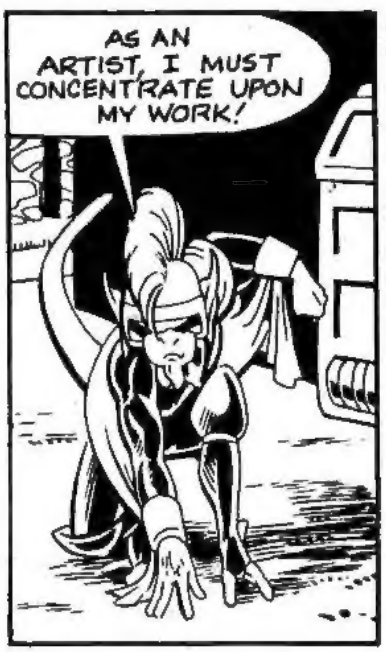

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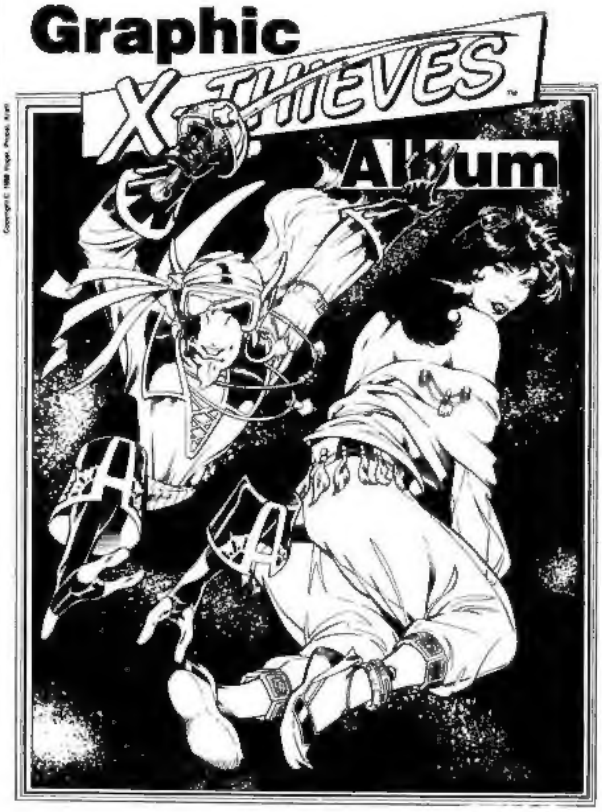

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"PIRATE EDITION"

What does it take to make everyone's favorite "borrowing" mammal, **Fred**, and his lock-picking, loot-loving partner, **Bianca**, cry "Foul"? A bunch of pirates with **bad manners!**

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